### IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR TULSA GOUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

	AUG 1 8 2022
ROBERT E. JACK,	DON NEWBERRY, Court Clork
Plaintiff,	STATE OF OREA. THE SA COUNTY
v.	) Case No.:
AXIOM STRATEGIES, LLC, a foreign limited liability company,	CJ-2022-02593
Defendant.	DAMAN CANTRELL

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, Robert E. Jack ("Bob Jack"), and for his cause of action in this matter states as follows:

- 1. Bob Jack is a resident of Tulsa County, Oklahoma. He is a political candidate for Tulsa County Commissioner District No. 3 and is in a runoff election on August 23, 2022.
- 2. Defendant Axiom Strategies, LLC ("Axiom") is a foreign limited liability company which assists political candidates across the country with various aspects of political cardiagrams, including mailers. Axiom regularly does business in the state of Oklahoma.
- 3. Bob Jack hired Axiom to assist with various mailers for his campaign. (Exhibit 1, Engagement Letter)
- 4. As part of that engagement, on May 18, 2022, Bob Jack approved a mailer, wated by Axiom, acting through its duly authorized agents, servants, or employees, that included an absentee ballot request form. (Exhibit 2, Approval Email; Exhibit 3, Sample mailer) At no time in the approval process did anyone with Axiom or its agents inform Bob Jack of any additional information, that might be added to the mailer.

- 5. After Bob Jack gave his approval, Axiom Strategies sent the mailers on May 31, 2022 on behalf of Bob Jack. The mailers, which Axiom Strategies altered without Bob Jack's knowledge, included either (i) partially completed absentee ballot request forms, including the recipients' dates of birth and mailing address information or (ii) a means that such an absentee ballot request could be made *via* QR code or website access.
- 6. Pursuant to 26 O.S. § 14-101.1, "absentee ballot harvesting" is a crime. Among the definitions of ballot harvesting within the statute, one possible violation is "[p]artially or fully completing an application for an absentee ballot on behalf of another person without that person's prior consent." 26 O.S. § 14-101.1(A)(5).
- 7. As a consequence of the actions of Axiom, a criminal investigation has been initiated by the Tulsa County Election Board pursuant to 26 O.S. § 16-123. That investigation has been referred to the Creek County District Attorney. By statute, the District Attorney must investigate such referrals. No charges have been filed against Mr. Jack as a result of this investigation and/or referral at the time this Petition was filed.
- 8. As a consequence of the actions of Axiom, Bob Jack's political opponent and others acting on his opponent's behalf have exploited this situation to accuse Mr. Jack of being a criminal, falsely accusing him of being "prosecuted" for a crime he did not commit and with which he had no involvement. (Exhibit 4, Mailer; Exhibit 5, Hardin Run Off Recommendations) Additionally, the news media in Tulsa has picked up and carried stories about Bob Jack's supposed "crime.. This jeopardizes his position in the election and has caused damage to his personal reputation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Somehow, these individuals and groups believes the inclusion of quotes around the word "prosecute" immunizes them from liability for false statements about Mr. Jack. It does not. To the contrary, it actually lends emphasis to the misstatement.

- The actions of Axiom Strategies, LLC complained of above, constitute negligence, 9. negligence per se, and/or gross negligence. Bob Jack has been damaged by Axiom Strategies, LLC's actions in an amount to be determined more specifically at trial, but which in any event will exceed Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00).
- In addition, the actions of Axiom Strategies, LLC were taken in reckless disregard 10. for the interests of Bob Jack, justifying an award of punitive damages in an amount to be determined pursuant to 23 O.S. §9.1.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Plaintiff Robert A. Jack requests an award of actual damages in an amount in excess of \$75,000.00, punitive damages in an amount to be determined pursuant to 23 O.S. §9.1, attorney fees, costs, pre- and post-judgment interest, and all such other relief the Court may deem just and equitable.

Respectfully Submitted,

**BARBER & BARTZ** 

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		<u>VERIFICATION</u>
STATE OF OKLAHOMA	)	
	)	SS.
COUNTY OF TULSA	)	

Robert E. Jack, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, states that:

I have read the above Petition and am aware of the contents thereof and the matters and things therein stated are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Robert E. Jack

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this  $\ensuremath{\underline{18}}$  day of August, 2022.

Notary Public

My commission expires:  $\frac{5}{24}/26$ 

STACY L. ELROD
Notary Public in and for
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
Commission #10004192
Expires: 21 May 2026



#### Letter of Engagement

Upon this engagement, Axiom Strategies, LLC ("AXIOM"), a limited liability company, will create and execute a comprehensive campaign strategy for the services listed below on behalf of Bob Jack ("CANDIDATE") and his committee ("COMMITTEE").

AXIOM will provide the following services beginning <u>February 1, 2022</u> and lasting until (1) such Agreement is cancelled or (2) the conclusion of the campaign.

1. General Consulting

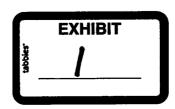
- ✓ Provide quality-driven General Consulting services to the campaign through conference calls, consultations, and strategic guidance.
- ✓ Integrate and build the existing campaign team to include all vendor selections, staff recommendations, reassignments, terminations, and pay schedules.
- ✓ Develop a detailed messaging matrix designed to integrate people and policy.
- ✓ Create a voter contact strategy for all outreach services including Voter ID and Targeting, Direct Mail, Direct Mail Fundraising, Email Fundraising, Field, Television, Radio and Digital Media, IVR's, Phone Services and Social Media.
- ✓ Provide crisis management when necessary.
- ✓ Increase awareness of the campaign with proven direct marketing techniques.
- ✓ Provide real-time press updates and ongoing media monitoring as needed.
- ✓ Complete narrative development and messaging.
- ✓ Provide policy, issue, and tactical guidance.
- A General Consulting monthly retainer of \$1,500 will begin with the date of this agreement and continue through July 31, 2022.
- Monthly retainers are invoiced on the first of each month and are due upon receipt.

2. Opposition & Vulnerability Research

- ✓ Cannon Research Group, a partner firm, will provide thorough opposition and background research to equip your campaign with all the information needed to make the most informed decisions possible.
- Research is in addition to any retainers listed and will be quoted separately.

3. Direct Voter Contact

- Exclusive provider of all Voter Contact services including Direct Mail, Media Buying,
   IVR Polling and Phone Services.
- ✓ Create a quality and effective direct mail plan, design all content for each mail piece and execute a strategic delivery and drop date sequence.
- ✓ Create a strategic and effective IVR and phone plan.
- ✓ Create and execute a media buying plan.



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- All direct costs incurred for design, development, printing, and production of services through AXIOM, or AXIOM affiliates, are the responsibility of the campaign.
- AXIOM will purchase all media at standard media commission rates.
- Direct Voter Contact is in addition to any retainers listed and will be quoted separately.

#### 4. Field Services

Vanguard Field Strategies, a partner firm, will provide all field/door services for the campaign to include:

- ✓ Voter ID, Persuasion, GOTV;
- ✓ Management and staffing of the complete effort.
- Field Services is in addition to any retainers listed and will be quoted separately.

#### 5. Digital Consulting

Working with your team, AXIOM will develop a digital plan and strategy that integrates the offline efforts of the campaign to every online tool at our disposal. Our plans will be tailored to meet your goals, with a responsive and professional team to execute the plan.

- Logo study, review, design, and creation (fixed fee)
- Digital Launch Package (fixed fee)
  - o Single website splash page with candidate bio
  - Website Donation Portal at standard rates
  - o Email platform set up, training and one template created
- Digital Strategy and Content Production on a monthly retainer.
- Digital Consulting is in addition to retainers listed and will be quoted separately.

#### 6. Digital Advertising

Our ad operations will dedicate efforts to each of the primary social media platforms and advertising networks (Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, and Google), as well as a team dedicated to advanced behavioral targeting using your data in order to reach the campaign's target audiences.

- Exclusive provider of digital advertising and email fundraising services:
  - All digital media purchased at standard digital media commission rates.
  - o List rental fees and video production will be quoted per assignment.
  - o All email fundraising will be at industry standard commission rates.
- Digital Advertising services must be paid in advance of services being rendered.

#### 7. Final Matters

All services require payment in advance before delivery of any product or advertisement.



All expenses directly related to the campaign for travel (airfare, hotel, auto, meals, etc.) will be invoiced accordingly.

AXIOM shall use best efforts and diligence in performing the services required by this agreement. AXIOM, its principals, employees, agents and/or assigns make no warranty, express or implied, as to the results of the services provided or any future services that may be contracted. Although AXIOM from time to time may opine about the possible results regarding the campaign, AXIOM cannot guarantee any particular result. CANDIDATE acknowledges that AXIOM has made no promises about the results and that any opinion and/or polling information offered by AXIOM in the future will not constitute a guaranty.

All work of AXIOM, including but not limited to print copy, audio copy, audio and video tapes, any and all lists and data files developed or created, themes, designs, slogans, and any and all other creative products of AXIOM, its agents and employees, are and shall be the joint property of AXIOM and CANDIDATE.

Cancellation of this Agreement requires either party to send a 30-Day Intent to Cancel Agreement Notice (via E-Mail) to contacts of record. In the event of termination of this agreement, and/or the termination of this candidacy for any reason, it is agreed that AXIOM will receive all regular fees and commissions during the thirty (30) days notification period. Losing the Primary or General election will not count as a "termination." Upon the expiration of the 30-day period of notice, to the extent that third parties already contracted by AXIOM for CANDIDATE or COMMITTEE refuse to release AXIOM from its obligation, AXIOM shall be reimbursed for any costs incurred by AXIOM in connection with non-cancelable contracts made on CANDIDATE's or COMMITTEE's behalf.

COMMITTEE and CANDIDATE both agree to hold AXIOM its partners and its employees harmless for any damages, claims, causes of action or injury that may occur in the commission of services or as a result of services under this agreement.

If COMMITTEE is unable or unwilling to pay any obligations due under this agreement, CANDIDATE agrees to pay all obligations due. Both CANDIDATE AND COMMITTEE agree to be jointly and severally liable for all obligations under this agreement.

[signature page follows]



#### The foregoing is hereby approved and agreed to:

#### **CANDIDATE & COMMITTEE**

Email: Vote Bob Jackegnail.com

Signature:

Invoicing Contact: Robert Jack

Invoicing Email: Vote Bob Jack @ gmail.com

#### **AXIOM STRATEGIES, LLC**

Name: Nick Schulte, CFO

Signature

Date: January 10, 2022

State: OK

Race: Tulsa County Commissioner D3

GC: JH

#### VoteBobJack@gmail.com

From:

Bob Jack <votebobjack@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, May 18, 2022 10:53 AM

To:

Josh Harlow

Subject:

Re: For Review - Jack 02 AB/EV Push

**Attachments:** 

Jack 02 AB-EV Push-Draft3.pdf; Untitled attachment 00535.htm

Approved.

Sent from my iPhone

On 18 May 2022, at 10:36 a.m., Josh Harlow <jharlow@axiomstrategies.com> wrote:

Attached is the new draft. Let me know if you have any additional edits. We will plan to drop it at the post office on May 31st.





# **DEFEND** THE POLICE, **DON'T** DEFUND THEM.

"Law enforcement stands up for US in our community and I will stand up for them!"

—Bob Jack

- ✓ Back the Blue
- Endorsed by Tulsa Fraternal Order of Police



REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION: JUNE 28TH

EARLY VOTING:
JUNE 23-25TH

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## BOB JACK STANDS WITH POLICE AND THEY STAND WITH HIM.



"Bob is a long time friend and supporter of law enforcement. As a businessman of over 50 years, he has the foundation and values to lead our community into the future. Please join us in voting for Bob on June 28th!"

—Tulsa Fraternal Order of Police

PAID FOR BY FRIENDS OF BOB JACK 4544 S. JAMESTOWN AVE

TULSA, OK 74135

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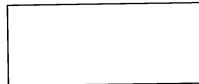
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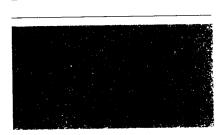
Fill out the attached request form, visit **okvoterportal.okelections.us**, or scan the code to request your ballot today.

#### APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

Name, Registered Address & Date of Birth



If mailing address is different from registered address in the box above, please mail my ballot to:



- Request absentee ballots for all election I am eligible to participate in this calendar year
- ☐ I request absentee ballots only for the election date: June 28

Date of request:



Resident Address of Witness/Assistant or Title of Witness if an Election Official

Relationship to Applicant of Witness/Assistant (check one)

parent grandparent spouse child sibling

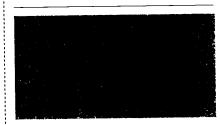
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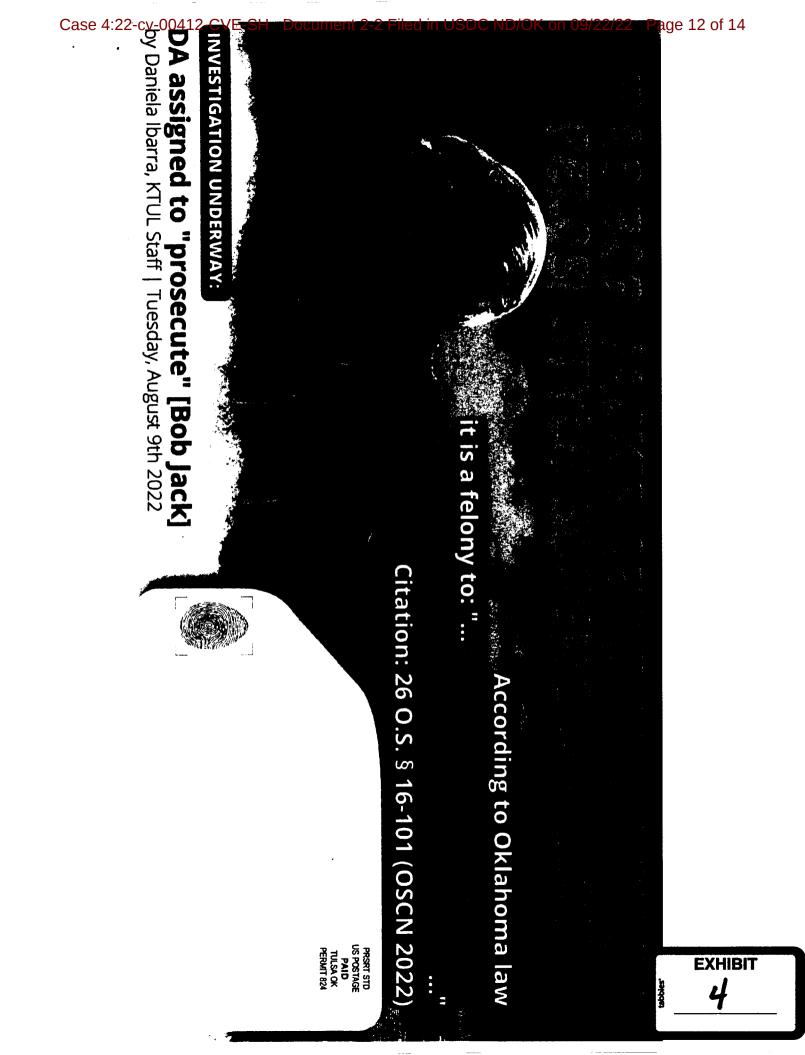
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Click here and then insert your address for information on the races in your area.	
TULSA COUNTY COMMISSIONER District #3	
Kelly Dunkerley	
NOTE: Bob Jack running against Dunkerley is currently being prosecuted for ballot harvestingwhich he deniesbut when I received his campaign piece that's exactly what thought it was. He has been part of the good 'ol boys Republican establishment with a lor history of dealings that make him a poor choice, in my opinion, IF he stays out of jail.	
Blessings,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Kevin & Karen Hardin, Event Coordinators	

EXHIBIT 5